



## Board of Educational Examiners

The Board of Educational Examiners (BOEE) was created in 1989 in Code Chapter 272 to:

- Provide leadership in licensure for educational practitioners.
- Develop rules for approval of professional development programs offered by local educational agencies and community colleges.
- Develop a code of professional rights, responsibilities, practices, and ethics.

The Board assumed the responsibilities of the former Iowa Professional Teaching Practices Commission and the licensing responsibilities of the State Board of Education.

The Board consists of 12 members, including the Director of the Department of Education. The other 11 members are appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation, to serve staggered four-year terms. Two must be members of the general public that have never held a teaching license, and one of the two must have experience as a local school board member. The remaining nine members must be licensed practitioners – five nonadministrative practitioners and four administrators.

### Licensure Responsibilities

The BOEE staff is responsible for processing applications from all prospective in-state, out-of-state, and out-of-country candidates for licensure.

The process includes a background check by the Division of Criminal Investigation and the FBI. The staff evaluates official transcripts submitted by candidates, verify teaching and administrative experience, and identify license suspensions or revocations in other states.

### Other Responsibilities

The Board and its staff are also responsible for investigating violations of ethical practice when complaints are filed. The Board is authorized to conduct hearings, issue orders and subpoenas, and otherwise handle all aspects of cases involving litigation.

### Licensing Fees

Licensing fees are determined by the Board and implemented through administrative rule. The Board is solely supported by fee revenue. The most recent fee increase occurred in FY 2006, when most fees were increased to \$85 from the previous \$60 level. It is estimated that each \$1 increase in fees generates \$23,590 in annual fee revenue.

### Revenue and Expenditures

The Board is permitted to retain 75.0% of fee revenue, while the remaining 25.0% must be deposited in the State General Fund. The BOEE is permitted to carry forward any unspent funds to the next fiscal year.

In FY 2008 and FY 2009, the General Assembly required the BOEE to transfer a portion of the ending balance to the Department of Education. These amounts were in addition to the 25.0% of fees deposited to the General Fund.

In FY 2010, the BOEE collected \$2.2 million in fee revenue and deposited \$553,000 in the General Fund. The Board carried forward \$695,000 to FY 2011.

The following table includes revenues and expenditures for FY 2007 through projected FY 2012.

### More Information

Budget Schedules and Related Documents

Board of Educational Examiners: [www.boee.iowa.gov/](http://www.boee.iowa.gov/)

Iowa General Assembly: <http://www.legis.iowa.gov/index.aspx>

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## CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE

Type of License	Term	Fee
Initial (Teacher or Administrator)	2 years	\$ 85
Standard Teacher	5 years	85
Master Educator	5 years	85
Substitute Teacher	5 years	85
Substitute Authorization	3 years	85
Occupational Secondary	5 years	85
Stmt. of Professional Recognition	5 years	85
Professional Administrator	5 years	85
Evaluator	5 years	85
Exchange License	2 years	85
Teacher Intern	1 year	125
Classes A and B (conditional)	1 or 2 years	85
Class E (formerly emergency)	1 year	150
Professional Service	5 years	85
Paraeducator	5 years	40
Adding an endorsement	N/A	50
Behind-the-Wheel Authorization	1 year	40
Coaching Authorization	5 years	85

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**Revenue and Expenditures - FY 2005 through FY 2011**

	<u>FY 2007</u>	<u>FY 2008</u>	<u>FY 2009</u>	<u>FY 2010</u>	<u>Budgeted FY 2011</u>	<u>Projected FY 2012</u>
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$ 186,971	\$ 751,218	\$ 699,099	\$ 465,146	\$ 695,114	\$ 580,250
<b>Revenues</b>						
Licensure Fees	2,095,686	2,185,116	2,330,805	2,219,966	2,005,150	2,005,150
Background Check Fees	308,963	278,178	315,462	359,189	330,000	330,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<u>2,591,620</u>	<u>3,214,512</u>	<u>3,345,366</u>	<u>3,044,301</u>	<u>3,030,264</u>	<u>2,915,400</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>						
General Expenditures*	1,317,982	1,971,448	2,300,081	1,796,661	1,948,726	2,029,912
Fees to General Fund	522,420	543,965	580,139	552,526	501,288	501,288
Reversion to General Fund						
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>1,840,402</u>	<u>2,515,413</u>	<u>2,880,220</u>	<u>2,349,187</u>	<u>2,450,014</u>	<u>2,531,200</u>
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>	<u>\$ 751,218</u>	<u>\$ 699,099</u>	<u>\$ 465,146</u>	<u>\$ 695,114</u>	<u>\$ 580,250</u>	<u>\$ 384,200</u>

\* General Expenditures include interstate transfers of \$300,000 in FY 2008 and \$454,000 in FY 2009 that were required by statute.